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SUBJECT: NPT RATIFICATION

REF: (A) BONN 2201; (B) BONN 2366 (NOTAL)

1. FONOFF DISARMAMENT DEPARTMENT INFORMS US THAT
FEB. 13 BUNDESTAG FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING
APPROVED DRAFT LAW ON NPT RATIFICATION BY A VOTE OF
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33 TO 8. ALL 8 NEGATIVE VOTES CAME FROM CDU/CSU COM-

MITTEE MEMBERS; MERTES WAS AMONG THE NO VOTERS. THE 33 YES VOTES INCLUDED ALL 25 SPD AND FDP COMMITTEE MEMBERS, AND THE FOLLOWING CDU COMMITTEE MEMBERS-- SCHROEDER, BIRRENBACH, MARX, HECK, KIEP, MIKAT AND KLIESING. FINAL BUNDESTAG DEBATE AND VOTE DUE FEB. 20. DISARMAMENT COMMISSIONER ROTH PLANS TO INFORM MINISTER CASH OFFICIALLY OF STATUS OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEEDINGS ON NPT RATIFICATION FEB. 15.

2. RELIABLE BONN CORRESPONDENT INFORMED EMBOFF OF BRIEFING ON CDU/CSU BUNDESTAG GROUP MEETING (REF B, PARA 6) WHICH HE RECEIVED TODAY FROM CDU/CSU FRAKTION LEADER CARSTENS. CARSTENS REPORTEDLY ATTRIBUTED 57 TO 63 FRAKTION VOTE FEB. 12 TO FACT THAT NEARLY HALF OF THE GROUP LEFT BEFORE THE LONG, BORING DISCUSSIONS DRAGGED TO A HALT. CARSTENS REPORTEDLY SAID HE PERSONALLY WOULD VOTE FOR RATIFICATION FEB. 20 AND THAT HE EXPECTED ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF THE CDU/CSU EITHER TO VOTE YES OR TO ABSTAIN; HE INDICATED THAT HE EXPECTED MORE THAN A MAJORITY TO VOTE YES.

3. CORRESPONDENT CONFIRMED OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT "CONFIDENTIAL LETTER FROM GOVERNMENT TO MEMBERS OF THE BUNDESTAG" (REF B) WAS IN FACT A WRITTEN GOVERNMENT ANSWER TO A QUESTION SUBMITTED ON US ATTITUDE TOWARD NPT DURING BUNDESTAG FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING OF LAST WEEK.
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